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6 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
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8 FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

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10 DWAIN BAKER,

11 Plaintiff,

No. C 11-02529 WHA

12 v.

13 MADELINE KRONENBERG, WEST CONTRA
14 COSTA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD
15 MEMBER, ANTONIO MEDRANO, WEST CONTRA
16 COSTA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD
17 MEMBER, AUDREY MILES, WEST CONTRA
18 COSTA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD
19 MEMBER, CHARLES T. RAMSEY, WEST CONTRA
20 COSTA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD
21 MEMBER, TONY THURMOND, WEST CONTRA
22 COSTA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD
23 MEMBER, and DOES 1–50, inclusive,

**REMINDER NOTICE
OF UPCOMING TRIAL
AND FINAL
PRETRIAL
CONFERENCE**

Defendants.

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26 This notice serves as a friendly reminder that this case remains set for a **FINAL**
27 **PRETRIAL CONFERENCE on JUNE 4, 2012, at 2:00 P.M.,** with a **JURY TRIAL on JUNE 11, 2012.**
28 Please consult the existing case management order and review and follow all standing
guidelines and orders of the undersigned for civil cases on the Court's website at
<http://www.cand.uscourts.gov>. Continuances will rarely be granted.

The final pretrial conference will be an important event, for it will be there that the
shape of the upcoming trial will be determined, including *in limine* orders, time limits and
exhibit mechanics. Lead trial counsel must attend.

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To avoid any misunderstanding with respect to the final pretrial conference and trial, the Court wishes to emphasize that all filings and appearances must be made — on pain of dismissal, default or other sanction — unless and until a dismissal fully resolving the case is received. It will not be enough to inform the clerk that a settlement in principle has been reached or to lodge a partially executed settlement agreement or to lodge a fully executed agreement (or dismissal) that resolves less than the entire case. Where, however, a fully-executed and unconditional settlement agreement clearly and fully disposing of the entire case is lodged reasonably in advance of the pretrial conference or trial and only a ministerial act remains, the Court will arrange a status conference to work out an alternate procedure pending a formal dismissal.

Please state whether the Court can be of further ADR assistance (but avoid stating offers, counteroffers or dollar amounts).

In this case, the Court wishes to consider the following additional trial procedures and desires that counsel meet and confer and reach a stipulation concerning whether and how to use them:

1. Scheduling opposing experts so as to appear in successive order;
2. Giving preliminary instructions on the law;
3. Allowing limited pre-closing deliberations (as per, e.g., Rule 39 of the Arizona Rules of Civil Procedure); and
4. Allowing each side fifteen minutes of opening/argument time to be used during the evidence time (in addition to normal opening statement and closing argument).

Please present the results of your stipulation (or not) in the joint pretrial conference submissions.

Dated: March 14, 2012.


WILLIAM ALSUP
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE